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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 2, 2008, Applicant(s) submit the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that are otherwise provided for in the documents accompanying this paper. However, if any additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned, and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account Number 50-2387, referencing docket number 19003.003. Applicant(s) likewise authorize a charge to Deposit Account Number 50-2387 for any other fees related to the present application that are not otherwise provided for in the accompanying documents.